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DECEMBER, 1923.

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CHANGES IN DIRECTORY.

Meat Inspection Granted.

123. The Smithfield Co. (Inc.), Smithfield, Va.
 *139. Abraham Plaut, 307-319 Johnson Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 *176. Chicago Public Abattoir, 960 West 38th Place, Chicago, Ill.
 264. The Southern Cotton Oil Co., 204 Bay Street East (mail, 120 Broadway, New York, N. Y.), Savannah, Ga.
 *358. M. & H. Hoffman, 403-409 East 44th Street, New York, N. Y.
 808. Ottman & Co. (Inc.), 2-8 Ninth Avenue, New York, N. Y.
 978. John Volpi & Co., 5256 Daggett Avenue, St. Louis, Mo.
 *1001. Eastern Veal & Mutton Co., 411-415 East 44th Street, New York, N. Y.

Meat Inspection Withdrawn.

- *688. J. B. Ireton, Cincinnati, Ohio.
 *753. Manhattan City Dressed Beef Co., New York, N. Y.
 965. Louis M. Doctor, New York, N. Y.

Change of Name of Official Establishment.

408. H. E. Whitaker, 4118 Ludlow Street, Philadelphia, Pa., instead of Acorn Packing Co.
 *881. Dyson-Meyer Packing Co., instead of Dyson-Meyer Provision Co., New Richmond, Wis.

Change of Address of Official Establishment.

3-K. Swift & Co., Richmond, Va., from 109 Union Street to Tenth and Byrd Streets.

403-A. The Feinberg Kosher Sausage Co., from Fifth Street and Kaw River, Kansas City, Kans. (mail, 15 East Fifth Street, Kansas City, Mo.), to 709 Linwood Boulevard, Kansas City, Mo.

Add to Address List.

Dr. Lloyd E. Case, cooperative tuberculosis-eradication work, P. O. box 3319, Honolulu, Hawaii.

Remove from Address List.

Dr. Frank D. Owen, Raleigh, N. C.

Directory Notes.

Pages 7 and 105, address of Dr. J. W. Murdoch is P. O. box 844, Capitol Station (office in Live Stock Building), Helena, Mont.

Pages 41 and 74, add * before Establishment No. 444.

Dr. A. J. De Fosset, Raleigh, N. C., will also have charge of hog-cholera control work.

NOTICE REGARDING MEAT INSPECTION.**IMPROVED METHOD OF PREPARING HOG CASINGS.**

The bureau is in receipt of information, based on test and observation, showing that the offensive odor incident to the fermenting of hog casings may be prevented by holding the intestines in a salt brine during the fermenting period. Final or conclusive tests to determine just what strength and temperature of brine are most effective have not been made; but actual use of the method by a considerable number of establishments employing a variety of formulas has demonstrated that two advantages attend its use. The first and the one in which the bureau feels a particular interest, is a very material reduction in the obnoxious odor incident to the preparation of casings fermented by the method now in general use. The second advantage is the production of casings which are whiter and have less of the odor common to casings fermented without the use of salt. In some quarters objection has been made to the use of salt on the ground that it hardens the casing, making it less easy to clean, and causing more breaks with a corresponding reduction in the yield. To this objection may be cited the fact that a number of establishments are using the brine method under different formulas with the satisfactory results stated above. From this it must be concluded that unsatisfactory results are due to excessive salt or to holding the casings in the brine an unnecessarily long time. These defects in method may easily be corrected.

In regard to formulas it may be mentioned that a brine of 60° or under this strength appears to be favored by the larger number of users. Practice as regards the temperature of the brine shows wide variation, ranging from 60° to 110° F., with the larger number using 75° to 85° F. The manner of handling is stated to be as follows: When the fresh casings have been hand stripped of their contents they are placed in tierces, the amount being limited to about one-third the capacity of each tierce. Brine enough to cover the casings is added and a rack or weight is used to keep them submerged. The length of time casings are held in the brine also varies, ranging from 18 to 24 hours or longer according to their condition.

As stated, some objection to the use of brine has been made, but the favorable reports received greatly outnumber the objections, and the advantage of the method from a sanitary standpoint is such that the bureau urges all official establishments at which hog casings are prepared to give the method a full and thorough trial. Further, it is desired that inspectors in charge interest themselves in the matter and report the results obtained through trials of the method made in the establishments in their charge.

ANIMALS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, NOVEMBER, 1923.

Station.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.	Goats.	Swine.
	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>
Baltimore.....	8,830	1,283	4,206		124,433
Brooklyn.....	7,028	5,803	28,402		
Buffalo.....	11,297	3,478	9,329		113,108
Chicago.....	184,410	46,009	211,752	1,420	902,759
Cincinnati.....	11,305	6,221	4,661	3	77,601
Cleveland.....	10,314	6,433	12,661	127	137,595
Detroit.....	5,845	5,654	18,587		125,950
Fort Worth.....	48,032	39,553	9,037	89	38,918
Indianapolis.....	18,687	2,815	4,611		216,158
Jersey City.....	4,714	8,938	33,958	22	80,035
Kansas City.....	115,794	34,989	65,150	285	376,968
Milwaukee.....	14,949	33,620	5,049	1	205,338
National Stock Yards.....	45,513	7,687	19,049	1,011	183,917
New York.....	28,255	35,887	131,632	159	110,087
Omaha.....	61,663	7,660	93,393	26	183,648
Philadelphia.....	9,861	6,396	18,723		113,027
St. Louis.....	16,982	3,425	4,192		191,857
Sioux City.....	21,303	1,569	23,953	95	139,333
South St. Joseph.....	30,286	5,963	47,926	7	183,144
South St. Paul.....	44,447	42,970	45,186		332,722
All other establishments.....	146,103	63,717	123,772	607	1,504,080
Total: November, 1923.....	845,618	370,070	915,229	3,852	5,340,678
November, 1922.....	859,413	347,711	882,213	3,560	4,318,005
11 months ended November, 1923.....	8,406,266	4,176,785	10,550,869	23,615	47,429,949
11 months ended November, 1922.....	7,899,071	3,872,923	10,071,330	16,539	37,912,192

Horses slaughtered at all establishments, November, 1923, 424. Inspections of lard prepared at all establishments, 170,170,938 pounds; compound and other substitutes, 31,544,432 pounds. Corresponding inspections for November, 1922: Lard, 146,736,424 pounds; compound and other substitutes, 29,850,717 pounds. (These totals do not represent actual production, as the same lard or compound may have been inspected and recorded more than once in the process of manufacture.)

CAUSES FOR CONDEMNATIONS OF CARCASSES IN OCTOBER, 1923.

Cause.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.	Swine.
Emaciation.....	740	158	532	
Hog cholera.....				7,474
Inflammatory diseases.....	830	187	399	2,691
Immaturity.....		315		
Tuberculosis.....	5,894			6,907
All other causes.....	1,677	440	806	4,102
Total.....	9,141	1,100	1,737	21,144

IMPORTS OF FOOD ANIMALS AND OF MEATS AND MEAT FOOD PRODUCTS.

The statements following show the imports of food animals and of meats and meat food products inspected by the Bureau of Animal Industry during November, 1923, with figures for other periods for comparison.

Imports of food animals.

Country of export.	Cattle.	Swine.	Sheep.	Goats.
Mexico.....	6,707	113		360
Canada.....	18,079	53	9,027	2
Total: November, 1923.....	24,786	166	9,027	362
November, 1922.....	34,173	944	4,428	4
11 months ended November, 1923.....	153,166	2,204	48,298	502
11 months ended November, 1922.....	254,595	3,141	83,234	7,569

Imports of meat and meat food products.

Country of export.	Fresh and refrigerated.		Canned and cured.	Other products.	Total weight.
	Beef.	Other.			
	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>
Argentina.....	108,726		236,182	149,969	494,877
Australia.....		5,481			5,481
Canada.....	1,302,656	343,576	21,017	118,957	1,786,206
Uruguay.....			314,874		314,874
Other countries.....		558	41,117	12,094	53,769
Total: November, 1923.....	1,411,382	349,615	613,190	281,020	2,655,207
November, 1922.....	3,114,594	461,960	1,071,187	66,263	4,714,004
11 months ended November, 1923.....	12,553,856	9,429,962	10,652,383	1,261,172	33,902,373
11 months ended November, 1922.....	25,421,632	16,772,884	5,719,002	1,119,218	49,032,736

Condemned in November, 1923: Pork, 240 pounds.

SUMMARY OF TUBERCULOSIS-ERADICATION WORK IN COOPERATION WITH THE VARIOUS STATES, NOVEMBER, 1923.

State.	Tuberculin tests.			Total once-tested free herds.	Total accredited herds.	Total herds under supervision.	Inspector in charge.	State official.
	Herds or lots.	Cattle tested.	Cattle re-acted.					
Ala.....	50	2,053	9	1,741	153	2,015	R. E. Jackson.....	C. A. Cary, Auburn.
Ariz.....	115	2,176	218	1,211	1	1,459	F. L. Schneider.....	S. E. Douglas, Phoenix.
Ark.....	219	834	5	494	45	570	L. E. Lyons.....	J. H. Bux, Little Rock.
Calif.....	53	4,976	19	1,942	19	2,129	R. Snyder.....	J. P. Iverson, Sacramento.
Colo.....	170	1,514	67	362	11	453	W. E. Howe.....	C. G. Lamb, Denver.
Conn.....	262	7,027	1,397	1,128	313	1,539	R. L. Smith.....	J. M. Whittlesey, Hartford.
Del.....	79	1,305	92	1,174	664	2,431	W. G. Middleton.....	O. A. Newton, Bridgeville.
D. C.....				270	10	283	J. A. Kiernan.....	
Fla.....	112	1,947	4	4,548	227	5,485	J. G. Fish.....	J. V. Knapp, Tallahassee.
Ga.....	96	2,627	59	2,110	47	3,581	A. L. Hirdeman.....	F. F. Bahnsen, Atlanta.
Idaho.....	247	10,278	62	11,978	111	12,995	W. A. Sullivan.....	W. R. Smith, Boise.
Ill.....	4,485	40,234	1,579	1,251	526	21,990	J. J. Lintner.....	F. A. Laird, Springfield.
Ind.....	1,301	14,698	437	20,348	4,321	27,251	E. B. Haskin.....	R. C. Julien, Indianapolis.
Iowa.....	1,920	40,716	1,722	9,858	2,793	20,093	J. A. Barger.....	P. Malcolm, Des Moines.
Kans.....	1,891	12,987	355	1,772	779	3,096	N. L. Townsend.....	J. H. Mercer, Topeka.
Ky.....	859	7,423	62	18,166	256	21,254	W. F. Biles.....	W. H. Simmons, Frankfort.
La.....	152	1,772	10	1,424	152	1,950	A. F. Staub.....	E. P. Flower, Baton Rouge.
Me.....	1,025	7,948	70	15,092	1,230	17,306	J. B. Reidy.....	H. M. Tucker, Augusta.
Md.....	332	5,056	362	2,609	810	5,207	T. A. Ladson.....	James B. George, Baltimore.
Mass.....	145	3,333	545	309	107	670	E. A. Crossman.....	L. H. Howard, Boston.
Mich.....	4,197	35,049	389	36,205	413	42,719	T. S. Rich.....	H. W. Norton, jr., Lansing.
Minn.....	1,825	42,876	1,355	5,159	3,348	10,405	W. J. Fretz.....	O. E. Cotton, St. Paul.
Miss.....	62	1,547	13	415	141	710	H. L. Fry.....	H. Chadwick, Jackson.
Mo.....	1,105	15,683	62	40,255	649	41,882	Ralph Graham.....	H. A. Butler, Jefferson City.
Mont.....	450	7,823	24	15,237	145	16,068	J. W. Murdoch.....	W. J. Butler, Helena.
Neor.....	30	1,117	9		326	326	C. H. Hays.....	L. R. Cantwell, Lincoln.
Nev.....	85	1,537	12	1,716	15	1,711	F. E. Murray.....	Edward Records, Reno.
N. H.....	195	3,541	111	1,794	342	2,585	E. A. Crossman.....	A. L. Felker, Concord.
N. J.....	177	4,581	394	398	196	933	W. G. Middleton.....	J. H. McNeil, Trenton.
N. Mex.....	20	223	1	1,701	3	1,908	F. L. Schneider.....	Mat Keenan, Albuquerque.
N. Y.....	2,933	48,572	6,711	18,717	1,668	23,309	H. B. Leonard.....	H. J. Henry, Albany.
N. C.....	3,407	9,202	28	76,742	66	83,638	A. J. De Forest.....	Wm. Moore, Raleigh.
N. Dak.....	960	14,636	87	7,515	1,630	10,824	H. H. Cohenour.....	W. F. Crewe, Bismarck.
Ohio.....	1,633	14,302	418	7,618	1,270	10,141	Paul Vaughn.....	F. A. Zimmer, Columbus.
Okl.....	94	2,777	43	224	373	679	L. J. Allen.....	J. A. Whitehurst, Oklahoma.
Oreg.....	1,043	8,506	112	17,654	307	17,961	S. B. Foster.....	W. H. Lytle, Salem.
Pa.....	5,119	48,041	1,378	11,004	2,243	15,348	P. E. Quinn.....	T. E. Munce, Harrisburg.
R. I.....				22	17	63	E. A. Crossman.....	T. E. Robinson, Providence
S. C.....	123	1,027	0	723	142	3,763	W. K. Lewis.....	W. K. Lewis, Columbia.
S. Dak.....	130	3,683	72	366	276	698	J. O. Wilson.....	A. E. Beaumont, Pierre.
Tenn.....	726	7,228	10	129	328	12,519	E. I. Smith.....	W. B. Lincoln, Nashville.
Tex.....	51	1,325	0	183	142	447	H. Grafke.....	L. G. Cloud, Fort Worth.
Utah.....	577	4,431	54	7,644	100	8,463	F. E. Murray.....	A. J. Webb, Salt Lake City.
Vt.....	385	9,893	527	1,034	2,185	5,175	L. H. Adams.....	E. S. Brigham, Montpelier.
Va.....	406	5,241	100	936	1,095	2,277	R. E. Brookbank.....	J. G. Ferneyhough, Richmond.
Wash.....	812	10,381	269	18,513	144	19,481	J. C. Exline.....	L. C. Felton, Olympia.
W. Va.....	205	3,218	27	4,125	438	3,955	George W. Neff.....	J. H. Stewart, Charleston.
Wis.....	2,934	44,686	525	3,833	4,129	8,661	J. S. Healy.....	John D. Jones, Madison.
Wyo.....	29	887	5	4,460	8	5,052	John T. Dallas.....	A. W. French, Cheyenne.
Total.....	42,286	520,417	19,810	382,109	34,719	503,427		

LICENSES FOR VETERINARY BIOLOGICAL PRODUCTS, DECEMBER, 1923.

LICENSES ISSUED.

License No.	Date.	Name and address of firm.	Products.
4	Dec. 18	The Abbott Laboratories, 4739-57 Ravenswood Avenue, Chicago, Ill.	Avian tuberculin.
164	Dec. 3	Goshen Laboratories (Inc.), 34 St. Johns Street, Goshen, N. Y.	Anticanine-distemper serum.

VETERINARY PERMITS ISSUED, DECEMBER, 1923.

United States veterinary permit No. 2, dated December 26, 1923, was issued to the Pasteur Laboratories of America, 366 West Eleventh Street, New York City, for the following products: Antianthrax serum; antistreptococcic serum; antitetanic serum; fowl-cholera serum; mallein; tuberculin; manufactured by Lab-pasteur, veterinary department, Institut Pasteur, Paris, France. Anthrax vaccine, manufactured by Laboratoire des Vaccins Pasteur pour l'Etranger, Paris, France. Antiblackleg serum; blackleg vaccine; polyvalent serum; polyvalent vaccine; manufactured by Institut de Sérothérapie de Toulouse, Toulouse and Paris, France. Blackleg vaccine manufactured by Prof. O. Thomas Laboratories, Verdun and Dijon, France.

United States veterinary permit No. 5, dated December 26, 1923, was issued to The Ammonol Chemical Co., 366 West Eleventh Street, New York City, for the following products: Anthrax serum; anthrax vaccine, blackleg vaccine; dog-distemper serum; dog-distemper vaccine; fowl-cholera vaccine; mallein (Foth's); normal serum (from the horse); pleuropneumonia streptococcic serum; polyvalent blackleg serum; polyvalent dysentery serum; polyvalent fowl-cholera serum; polyvalent dysenteric bacillary extract; polyvalent paratyphus serum; polyvalent pneumonia serum; polyvalent streptococcic serum; polyvalent streptococcic vaccine; tetanus antitoxin; tuberculin (Koch's), manufactured by Pharmaceutisches Immuno-Therapeutisches Institut, Ludwig Wilhelm Gans Aktiengesellschaft, Oberusel (Taunus) Germany.

ANTI-HOG-CHOLERA SERUM AND HOG-CHOLERA VIRUS PRODUCED UNDER UNITED STATES VETERINARY LICENSE IN NOVEMBER, 1923.

Serum.			Virus.	
Ordinary.	Clear.	Total.	Simultaneous.	Hyperimmunizing.
C. c. 52, 267, 489	C. c. 20, 093, 926	C. c. 72, 361, 415	C. c. 2, 771, 414	C. c. 15, 051, 308

USE OF SPEEDOMETERS ON BUREAU EMPLOYEES' AUTOMOBILES OR MOTORCYCLES.

Employees who are authorized to use their automobiles in official work should equip their cars with attachments for measuring distance traversed so that claims for mileage may be as nearly exact as possible. Inspectors in charge are instructed to see that this requirement is carried out and that such attachments are kept in working order. Hereafter, in claims for reimbursement for mileage, employees will please state whether the distance claimed is measured by speedometer or similar attachment.

**STATEMENT OF RESULTS—TICK ERADICATION—JULY 1, 1906, TO
DECEMBER 31, 1923.**

States.	Counties quaran- tined.		Counties released to Dec. 31, 1923.	Released counties tick-free. ¹	
	July 1, 1906.	Dec. 31, 1923.		Nov. 1, 1922.	Nov. 1, 1923.
Alabama.....	67	7	60	15	26
Arkansas.....	75	39	36	16	21
California.....	15	0	15	15	15
Florida.....	58	54	4	3	3
Georgia.....	137	4	153	101	119
Kentucky.....	2	0	2	2	2
Louisiana.....	65	33	32	3	3
Mississippi.....	81	21	60	37	47
Missouri.....	4	0	4	4	4
North Carolina.....	75	14	61	40	46
Oklahoma.....	61	6	55	35	47
South Carolina.....	44	0	44	29	35
Tennessee.....	42	0	42	41	41
Texas.....	199	98	101	44	49
Virginia.....	30	4	26	(¹)	(¹)
Total.....	975	280	695	385	458

¹ No bureau cooperation from Nov. 1, 1922, to Nov. 1, 1923.

Areas released from Federal quarantine December 31, 1923: Arkansas, 1 county and 3 parts of counties; Georgia, 5 counties; North Carolina, 5 counties and 2 parts of counties.

Areas requarantined December 31, 1923: Alabama, 2 counties; Louisiana, 1 parish; Texas, 8 counties and part of 1 county.

RESULTS OF PROSECUTIONS FOR VIOLATIONS OF LAWS.

Penalties have been imposed in prosecutions for violations of regulatory laws, as reported to the bureau, as follows:

Twenty-Eight-Hour Law.

Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Co. (2 cases), \$200 fines.
 Receivers of Chicago & Alton Railroad Co., \$125 fine.
 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad Co. (2 cases), \$200 fines.
 Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Co. (2 cases), \$200 fines.
 Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway Co. (2 cases), \$200 fines.
 Fort Worth & Rio Grande Railway Co., \$100 fine.
 Georgia, Southern & Florida Railway Co., \$100 fine.
 Houston & Texas Central Railroad Co. (2 cases), \$200 fines.
 Illinois Central Railroad Co. (4 cases), \$440 fines.
 Kansas City, Mexico & Orient Railway Co. of Texas, \$100 fine.
 Kansas City Southern Railway Co., \$100 fine.
 Louisville & Nashville Railroad Co. (4 cases), \$400 fines.
 New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Co. (2 cases), \$200 fines.
 Pennsylvania Railroad Co., \$100 fine.
 Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway Co., \$100 fine.
 St. Louis Merchants Bridge Terminal Railway Co., \$110 fine.
 St. Louis-San Francisco Railway Co., \$100 fine.

Livestock Quarantine Law.

Chicago Great Western Railroad Co. (2 cases), failure to placard cars "Canadian cattle for immediate slaughter," \$200 fines.

Morgan's Louisiana & Texas Railroad & Steamship Co., failure to mark way-bill "Southern cattle," \$100 fine.

Wabash Railway Co. (2 cases), interstate transportation of cattle in infectious car, \$200 fines.

NEW PUBLICATIONS OF THE BUREAU.

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Farmers' Bulletin 578. The Making and Feeding of Silage. By T. E. Woodward and J. B. McNulty, Dairy Division, and George M. Rommel, E. W. Sheets, and F. R. Marshall, Animal Husbandry Division. Revision. Pp. 32, figs. 8.

Farmers' Bulletin 602. Production of Clean Milk. By Ernest Kelly, Dairy Division. Revision. Pp. 24, figs. 10.

Farmers' Bulletin 1361. Brahman (Zebu) Cattle. By Virgil V. Parr, Animal Husbandry Division. Pp. 21, figs. 9.

Farmers' Bulletin 1368. Breaking and Training Colts. By V. G. Stambaugh. Revised by J. O. Williams and Earl B. Krantz, Animal Husbandry Division. Supersedes Farmers' Bulletin 667. Pp. 21, figs. 16.

Report of Chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry. Pp. 56.

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